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FISCAL DECISION TONIGHT.

District's Future Relations With U. S. Will Be Determined.

The future of the District's relations with the United States, which has rested in the hands of the joint select committee of Congress for months, probably will be decided tonight, when the committee holds its last meeting at the home of the chairman, Senator Saulsbury. The report will be submitted tomorrow morning, if possible, as the time allotted the committee expires Monday.

Although Congress will not be bound by the report of the committee, the report will go a long way toward deciding what action Congress will take.

Revival Draws Crowds.

A large audience marked the third day of the revival services being conducted at Douglas Memorial M. E. Church, Eleventh and H streets northeast. Rev. Dr. McLane, assisted by a large chorus and special soloists, is conducting the services, which will continue every morning and evening of the week, except Saturday.

BUILDING OPERATIONS DROP.

December Total Is \$54,246 Less Than That for November.

A total of \$54,246 was involved in building operations in the District during December, according to the monthly statement of Morris Hacker, building inspector, made public yesterday. This is a decrease of \$64,246 from the operations of November, which totaled \$118,492. Brick dwellings featured the market, aggregating \$226,500. One permit was issued for an apartment house at \$100,000. Frame dwellings were authorized during the month to the amount of \$52,200. The northeast section continued to lead the market, figuring in new buildings to the amount of \$13,495. In the northwest section were authorized to the amount of \$13,500; southwest, \$400, and southeast, \$300.

German U-Boats Reported Sunk.

Amsterdam, Jan. 4.—Two German submarines are reported to have been sunk in the Black Sea off the Bulgarian port of Varna. No official confirmation has been received.

DEFENSE PLAN IS RIDICULED

Opening Gun of Democratic Opposition Fired by Representative Sherwood.

"VIOLATES PLATFORM"

Speaker Makes Sarcastic Comment on Plan for Continental Army Advocated by Secretary Garrison.

The opening gun of the Democratic opposition to the administration's national defense program was fired in the House yesterday by Representative Isaac Sherwood, of Iowa.

Mr. Sherwood, who is a veteran of the civil war, and who has been prominent in Grand Army circles for many years, waxed sarcastic over President Wilson's utterances on national defense a year ago as contrasted with his position on this question today.

Mr. Sherwood declared that the agitation for defense was fanned by those who desired "to give tone and polish to our flamboyant Washington society," ridiculed the continental army plan advocated by Secretary Garrison, saying that he understood it originated in the War College, and that this college was the favorite militant child of Col. Roosevelt. He said:

"At the end of the five-year period for the defense program this country will then be expending on its army and navy more than any nation in the world in time of peace ever expended. We now have the second strongest navy in the world with no enemy in sight and nothing to do but waste powder in target practice, and concoct war scares."

"It is proposed to tax a patient and tolerant people that an overpowering army of idlers may be ordered to consume the savings of the industrial classes, increasing the already high cost of living and producing nothing but discontent and trouble. It is a crime against the republic, without sanity and without excuse. And the same brood of blood money gangsters are recommending a buxard brood of aeroplanes."

"The devil of late has learned to deal death and destruction from the sky. His victims have been mostly women, children and babies. The devil's allies now clamor for this latest and most barbarous of all war's brutalities as a part of the military outfit of this so-called Christian republic. Of what possible use are aeroplanes either to resist or aggressively fight an enemy with 5,000 miles of ocean between."

Committee Organizes.

The universities committee of the Washington Board of Trade met yesterday and organized for its work during the coming year. The committee was appointed recently by E. C. Brandenburg, president of the board, and is composed of Charles Ray Dean, chairman; H. K. Bush-Brown, John Doyle Carmody, W. Knowles Cooper, Ernest H. Daniel, D. A. Edwards, Jas. Walter Heustis, Charles W. Imlay, Joseph Taber Johnson, Geo. A. King, Myron M. Parker, Willard S. Richardson, I. H. Saunders, Delos H. Smith, Alpheus H. Snow, G. W. F. Swartzell, Ernest L. Thurston, Matthew Trimble, Court F. Wood, and Tom A. Williams.

The little and big wants of the people are made known and gratified every day through the Want Columns of this newspaper.—Dan Sayles.

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Purely Personal

W. B. Coppersmith has returned to his home in Washington from a Western trip. Mr. Coppersmith was injured in an accident in Yellowstone Park and is still incapacitated.

George A. Lewis has been elected chairman of the advertising section of the Retail Merchants' Association.

P. T. Moran, president of the Chamber of Commerce, will speak Sunday night before the Firemen's Association.

Claude E. Miller yesterday was elected chairman of the automobile section of the Retail Merchants' Association.

Joseph Scott, a prominent member of the Knights of Columbus in Los Angeles, is expected in Washington shortly to deliver an address before that order.

D. V. Smythe is the new secretary of the section of advertising in the Retail Merchants' Association.

Gen. Robert G. Smith, chairman of the Excise Board, left Washington on Monday night for a short trip to Jersey City. Upon his return the board will begin an inspection tour of the saloons of the city.

J. F. Moore, private secretary to Capt. Julian Schley, executive officer of the Public Utilities Commission, returned to his desk on Monday from Blument, Va., where he spent the holidays.

After spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Blanche K. Towson, of this city, Mrs. Oney Keen Carpenter has returned to her home in New York.

Mrs. Mary L. Crimney, of Ocean Grove, N. J., is visiting Mrs. George S. Duncanson, of this city.

Mrs. Louis Bennett, of West Virginia, who spent the last two seasons at the Willard, is there now for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Atlas have left for Atlanta to visit the latter's mother and to be at the wedding of their niece, Miss Sophia Saul.

Senator O'Gorman, accompanied by his wife and daughter, returned from New York on Monday evening. They are living at the Shoreham.

Among those who arrived at the Shoreham on Monday was Gov. Arthur Yeargan of Porto Rico, who is here on a short business visit.

Timothy T. Ansberry, former member of Congress and former judge of the Court of Appeals, was admitted to practice in the District Supreme Court yesterday on motion of Attorney William H. Dennis, chairman of the examining bar committee.

Representative Frederick C. Hicks, of New York, whose election is contested by Lathrop Brown, was sworn into office yesterday.

J. J. Wingfield, auditor of passenger accounts of the Southern Railway, completed fifty years of service on the road on January 1. Maj. Wingfield is the oldest employee of the company in point of service.

Miss Marie White has been given a temporary appointment in the corporation tax office of the Bureau of Internal Revenue of the Treasury Department.

Marcus C. Leh, of the appointment division of the office of the Secretary of Commerce, has been transferred to the Land Office at Montrose, Colo.

Adolph J. Fugitt, of the manufacturers' division of the Census Office, was presented with a gold watch and studs by other employees of the division yesterday when he was transferred to the Government Printing Office.

Mr. and Mrs. Christian Hemmick will leave for New York tomorrow, where Mme. Pavlova is to give her latest success, "L'Ecce en Crinoline," which was written by Mrs. Hemmick.

Edwin H. Tabler, of the Government Printing Office, who spent the holidays with friends in New York, has returned to the city.

District Courts

Thomas A. Hackley and Norman F. Hagg, charged with breaking into the store of Charles A. Schenck, 102 Bladensburg road northeast, and stealing cigarettes, cakes and tobacco, pleaded guilty in the Police Court yesterday to a charge of housebreaking, and were held for the grand jury.

Charles B. Leet, Jr., charged with breaking into the drug store of A. E. Powell, 223 East Capitol street, and stealing a quantity of postage stamps, candy and other articles, was held for the grand jury on a charge of housebreaking. He denied the charge.

Suit to recover \$25,000 damages from Lena Malnati and Virginia B. Malnati was filed in the District Supreme Court yesterday by George Smith, 6, through his father, George J. Smith. The petitioner alleges that he was bitten by a dog belonging to the defendants on September 24 last and suffered intense pain and nervous system. Attorney D. W. O'Donoghue represents the plaintiff.

Julia Cooperman, 12, entered suit for \$10,000 damages against the Biggs Heating Company and John L. Warren yesterday, alleging that while a pipe was being carried into an apartment house under construction at Euclid street and Champlain avenue northwest, she was hit in the face with the pipe. Attorneys David Weiner and F. M. Pelzman represent the petitioner.

SECOND DAY OF PRAYER HELD.

Women's Interdenominational Union Conducts Services.

The second day of prayer on the general theme of "Peace and Unity," under auspices of the Women's Interdenominational Missionary Union, was conducted yesterday at St. Paul's English Lutheran Church, Eleventh and H streets northwest.

The principal speaker was Dr. Joseph Cohn, of New York, field secretary of the Williamsburg Mission to the Jews. He was introduced by the president of the union, Mrs. John N. Culbertson.

A talk was given by Miss Mary Soullotou Eleftherides, of the Greek Evangelical Church of Smyrna. She described the polygott meetings held in the Smyrna church, where services in English, Jewish, Turkish, Greek, and Spanish are conducted. The leader of the entire meeting was Mrs. O. B. Brown, of the Presbyterian Church.

Lynch Threats in Carroll County, Baltimore, Md., Jan. 4.—Threats of lynching were revived in Carroll County today when news reached there that Truman Williams, a colored youth, of 15, sought with Solomon Suddler, also colored, in connection with the murder on Sunday last of William M. Brown, a farmer, had been arrested and locked up here.

Suddler, who is believed to have wielded the ax that put to death Mr. Brown, is still at large.

MISS F. D. SMITH MADE PRINCIPAL

Long-time Teacher Appointed Head of Lee Public School in Alexandria.

LUNCH HOUR EXTENDED

Nine Indictments Returned by Grand Jury—Hayfield Farm, in Fairfax County, Is Sold.

Alexandria, Va., Jan. 4.—The city school board has elected Miss Fannie B. Smith principal of Lee public school, at a salary of \$70 a month. Miss Smith for the past twelve years has been a teacher in this school. The place was made vacant by the transfer of Conrad Johnson, principal of the high school, to the new high school building.

The board also elected Willis Goodrich janitor of the new high school at a salary of \$20 a month. Pupils attending the schools will hereafter have an hour and fifteen minutes for lunch, but must make up the additional fifteen minutes in the afternoon by being dismissed at 3:15 o'clock, instead of 3 o'clock. The lunch hour will be from noon until 1:15 o'clock.

Before adjourning this afternoon a grand jury in the United States Court for the district of Virginia returned true bills in nine indictments presented as follows: R. M. Jackson, having unlawfully in his possession a certain quantity of opium; Henry C. Stowes, Garfield Scroggins and Robert Long, stealing packages from mail; Jim Karas, carrying on business of retail liquor dealer without payment of special tax; John Green, embezzling mail packages; William Smith, having in his possession a certain quantity of opium; Donald-Huss Liquor Company, incorporated, reusing bottle without destroying stamp previously affixed; Donahue Liquor Company, incorporated, reusing bottle without having morphine; Robert Jones and Rosa Jones, conspiracy to defraud by passing forged money order.

Tony Palombo, charged with violating Mann white slave law, entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced to serve six months in the Norfolk jail. A plea of guilty was entered by Preston J. Powell, charged with having morphine in his possession. He was sentenced to twenty-four hours in the Norfolk jail. True bills were not returned by the jury in five cases presented.

Hayfield farm, containing eight hundred acres, located in Fairfax County five miles southwest of Alexandria, was sold at auction today at Fairfax Court House, and purchased by James M. Duncan and John G. Graham and Kenneth W. Ogden, the last two named being the real estate firm of Graham and Ogden, for \$30,400.

The new triple combination auto, pumping, chemical engine and hose, was unloaded today from the car and placed in the house of the Relief Hook and Ladder Company. The engine given a run on the street this afternoon.

Rev. Dr. John Lee Allison, pastor of the Central Presbyterian Church, presided over the week of prayer services and preached tonight at Christ P. E. Church. A large congregation attended. Services tomorrow night will be held at the Methodist Protestant Church and will be conducted by Rev. O. W. Triplett, pastor of the Second Baptist Church.

Mrs. Emily R. Jenkins, who lived at 429 North Columbus street, died this afternoon at Alexandria Hospital following a short illness of pneumonia. The deceased was the wife of Joseph W. Jenkins, is survived by four children, two boys and two girls.

The official board of the First Baptist Church, at a meeting held tonight, took up the resignation of Rev. Dr. W. F. Watson, pastor of that church. The board will report its findings to the congregation at a meeting to be held in the church tomorrow night, when officers will be elected for the year.

The vestry of St. Paul's P. E. Church has elected George Washington Lewis a vestryman to fill the vacancy caused by the death of James Wallace Hooff.

The recently elected officers of Alva Aerie, No. 21, Fraternal Order of Eagles, will be installed tomorrow night by officers of Washington Lodge of Eagles.

With the election of Frank Ballenger as chairman, the board of supervisors of Fairfax County has been organized for the year.

Carnegie's Nephew Launder Dead. Greenwich, Conn., Jan. 4.—George Launder, Jr., aged 40, nephew of Andrew Carnegie, died today of pneumonia. He was a millionaire and widely known as a sportsman.

WHY HAIR FALLS OUT.

Dandruff causes a feverish irritation of the scalp, the hair roots shrink, loosen and then the hair comes out fast. To stop falling hair at once and rid the scalp of every particle of dandruff, get a 2-cent bottle of Danderine at any drug store, pour a little in your hand and rub well into the scalp. After a few applications all dandruff disappears and the hair stops coming out.

YOUR SICK CHILD IS CONSTIPATED! LOOK AT TONGUE

If cross, feverish or bilious give "California Syrup of Figs."

No matter what ails your child, a gentle, thorough laxative should always be the first treatment given.

If your little one is out-of-sorts, half-sick, isn't resting, eating and acting naturally—look, Mother! see if tongue is coated. This is a sure sign that it's little stomach, liver and bowels are clogged with waste. When constipated, feverish, stomach sour, breath bad or has stomach-ache, diarrhoea, sore throat, full of cold, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the constipated poison, undigested food and sour bile gently moves out of its little bowels without griping, and you have a well, playful child again.

Mothers can rest easy giving this harmless "fruit laxative," because it never fails to cleanse the little one's liver and bowels and sweeten the stomach and they dearly love its pleasant taste. Full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups printed on each bottle.

Beware of counterfeit fig syrups. Ask your druggist for a 5-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," then see that it is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company."

The Town Crier

The Washington branch of the Woman's Section of the Navy League will hold an organization meeting on the morning of January 15 at 11 o'clock in the small ballroom of the New Willard. Permanent committees will be appointed and plans for the year outlined.

"An Evening of Defense" will be presented Sunday night at Belasco Theater by Dr. Nevil Monroe Hopkins, chairman, of the Belgian scholarship committee, for the benefit of the Belgian scholarship fund.

The Northern Conference of the Associated Charities will meet tonight at 8 o'clock in the assembly hall of Grover Cleveland School. The general theme for discussion will be "Meeting the Needs of the District." Speakers will be Prof. W. B. Patterson, Mrs. Edna K. Busch, and Rev. P. J. Pratsky.

The Potomac Memorial Association will meet tomorrow afternoon at 4:30 o'clock at Hotel Bellevue. Miss Lillian Reed is corresponding secretary.

A get-together luncheon will be held at the New Willard on January 15 by more than 1,000 District Masons. Principal speakers will be Grand Master W. W. Germane and George Fleming Moore, sovereign grand master of the Scottish Rite.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the local German-American Relief Committee will hold a bazaar at Odd Fellows Hall during the week of February 14 to 19 for the benefit of the widows and orphans of German and Austrian soldiers killed during the war.

"An Evening's Journey Among the Stars" will be the subject of an illustrated lecture tonight at 8:15 o'clock in Memorial Continental Hall by Dr. John A. Brashear, of Pittsburgh, before the Washington Society of Engineers and their special guests, the delegates of the second Pan-American Scientific Congress.

The Young Women's Hebrew Association will give a minstrel show and dance on the night of February 8 at Old Masonic Temple, Ninth and F streets northwest. Miss Pearl Schwartz is chairman of the arrangements committee.

Jews of the city will hold a mass meeting on January 20 in Eighth Street Temple to raise funds for the relief of the European war sufferers of the Hebrew faith. Addresses will be by Rev. Dr. J. L. Magnes, Simon Wolf, and Rev. Dr. Abram Simon.

Special revival services will be held every night this week except Saturday at Douglas Memorial M. E. Church, Eleventh and H streets, northeast. Meetings will commence at 7:30 o'clock. Rev. Dr. Charles C. McLean is pastor. Music by a chorus choir and special soloists is a feature of the services.

Mrs. John Dickinson Sherman, chairman of the conservation department of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, will address the members of the Twentieth Century Club tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock at the regular monthly meeting at All Souls Church, Fourteenth and L streets. Louis C. Atwater and William E. Green will give musical selections and Dean William Allen Wilbur will give an address on "Appreciation of Poetry."

"Glastonbury Abbey and the Story of the Miraculous Thorn" is the topic of a lecture to be delivered by Mrs. Clara B. Colby at the Oxford Hotel at 4:45 o'clock this afternoon. St. Alban's School, this city, is said to have one of the framed thorn trees, which bloom at Christmas.

Washington delegates to the annual convention of the "Woman's Peace Party," to be held here commencing Saturday, will meet tomorrow night at the home of Miss Aline Solomons, 1205 K street northwest to discuss recommendations of the executive board of the national organization.

Prussia's Total Losses 2,316,366.

Rottterdam, Jan. 4.—The last ten Prussian casualty lists contain 2,332 names. The total in killed, wounded, and missing is now 2,316,366.

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TOWN HALL ADVOCATED FOR BRADBURY HEIGHTS

Citizens' Association Sounds Out Sentiment of Community Regarding Proposal.

A movement for the erection of a town hall at Bradbury Heights, Md., was launched by the Bradbury Heights Citizens' Association at a meeting in the Bradbury school on Monday night. President John E. Crowder appointed a committee of three—J. O. Raba, Albert Talbert and W. O. Wetzel—to sound the sentiment of the community on the proposition. As the town is not incorporated, the fund for the erection of the hall would have to be raised by subscription and by holding entertainers. The sentiment of the community on the proposition was inadequate for the growing population of the suburb.

A special committee from the association, composed of W. O. Wetzel, J. O. Raba, John Higdon and Albert Talbert, went to Marlboro yesterday afternoon to lay before the school commissioners of Prince George County an appeal for a new school at Bradbury Heights. The committee told the commissioners that the present two-room frame structure was inadequate for the growing population of the suburb.

One member of the association, it was said, is willing to contribute a strip of land for playground purposes if the commissioners will heed the appeal for a new building. The appeal was taken under consideration. The committee will report on its trip to Marlboro at the next meeting of the association, on the evening of January 17.

At a recent meeting officers for the year were elected, as follows: John E. Crowder, president; W. O. Raba, vice president; W. O. Wetzel, secretary; 2264 Ward Smith, financial secretary, and Mr. Ridgely, treasurer.

RETAIL MERCHANTS ADOPT AUCTION LAW

Association Committee Will Wage War on "Fakes" in the District.

The fake auctions committee of the Retail Merchants' Association yesterday adopted a draft of a proposed law designed to prohibit fake auctions in the District. The draft was drawn up by Roger J. Whiteford, Assistant Corporation Counsel, and M. U. Rosenberg, counsel for the Retail Merchants' Association, and chairman of the fake auctions committee.

Among those present at the meeting yesterday were Mr. Rosenberg, Mr. Whiteford, Charles A. Goldsmith, E. C. Graham, S. W. Straus and Charles J. Columbus.

The advertising section of the association yesterday elected George A. Lewis, chairman, and D. V. Smythe, secretary, to serve during the ensuing year. Claude E. Miller was elected chairman of the automobile section.

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Asks Transfer of License.

Mary A. Raftery yesterday applied to the Excise Board to have transferred to her name the saloon of her husband, who died recently, at 22 Eleventh street northeast. The license automatically passed to the name of P. A. Drury, executor of the deceased saloonkeeper's estate. The date for a hearing on the application has not been set.

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